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PI KAPPA DELTA, A HISTORICAL SKETCH.

Pi Kappa Delta was not organized; it grew. The present constitution is the fifth, which is eloquent of changed plans and adjustments to meet changed and changing conditions. Pi Kappa Delta has a history, the constitution has a history, and it is to set forth this history for the benefit of present members and of future members that this article is written.

Early in the school year of 1911-12 an agitation for the granting of the Forensic "O" at Ottawa University, Kansas, led E. R. Nichols (then Professor of Public Speaking and English Composition at Ripon College, but formerly of Ottawa University) to suggest that the next step was to organize a forensic honorary society. Acting upon this suggestion John A. Shields presented the matter at a convention of delegates to the Kansas State Prohibition Oratorical and was appointed, with E. A. Vaughn of Kansas Agricultural College, as a committee to take up the matter. Shields and Vaughn invited C. J. Boddy of Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, Kansas, to co-operate with them in working up an organization. Shields and Boddy presented the matter at the meeting of the delegates at the regular intercollegiate contest held that year at Winfield, Kansas, with Southwestern College. It was planned at this time to organize a state chapter and local chapters at Ottawa University, Southwestern College, Kansas Wesleyan, Washburn College, College of Emporia, and K. S. A. C., the state chapter to admit the winning orators from other Kansas colleges.

In the meantime, Nichols had called together the orators and debaters at Ripon College and they had organized a local honorary society. Fred C. Maynard was elected president of this organization and Arthur J. Martin secretary-treasurer. Martin was appointed to get up a design for a key and Lowell P. Goodrich was appointed to get a suitable name. Nichols was appointed to confer with Ottawa University and other colleges in the Middle West for the purpose of working up an interstate organization. At a later meeting Goodrich submitted three names for the organization and the name Pi Kappa Delta was chosen upon his recommendation. Martin reported that he had obtained the addresses of three fraternity jewelers and now that a name had been chosen

he would write them for key designs. Nichols reported that he had written P. C. Somerville of Illinois Wesleyan, M. M. Maynard of Monmouth College, Dr. E. C. Griffith of Wm. Jewell College, H. O. Pritchard of Cotner College, and Charles A. Marsh of Morningside College, and that practically all favored the idea. He reported that Shields of Ottawa had written that the Kansas colleges had started a movement for an organization. It was voted that Nichols confer with Shields and get the co-operation of the Kansas organization. Maynard, Sutherland and Nichols were appointed to draft a constitution.

The Ripon constitution, as soon as adopted locally, was sent to Shields at Ottawa. Shortly afterward he returned the constitution with suggested changes and a rewritten copy was sent him. Shields and Vaughn went over the second constitution and prepared a third which was submitted to Ripon. The Ripon committee amended this and re-submitted it with a design for the present Pi Kappa Delta key which had been received from the Edward Roehm fraternity jewelry firm. Shields and Vaughn accepted the changes and the key design and put the final draft of the constitution in shape. By the time the final draft of the constitution was reached a half year had passed, and it was January, 1913, before Pi Kappa Delta was considered organized.

The two committees at work upon the constitution agreed to submit it to a group of ten or twelve men representing different institutions, who, upon signing it, were to become National Founders, and were to organize local chapters at their respective institutions. The constitution was submitted to the following men: E. R. Nichols, Ripon College; E. A. Vaughn, Kansas Agricultural College; John A. Shields, Ottawa University; J. H. Krenmyre, Iowa Wesleyan; P. C. Somerville, Illinois Wesleyan; C. J. Boddy, Kansas Wesleyan; Arthur L. Crookham, Southwestern College; M. M. Maynard, Monmouth College; H. O. Pritchard, Cotner College; Dan. C. Lockwood, College of Emporia, and Frank P. Johnson, Morningside College.

The constitution provided for the following temporary officers, to hold office during the formative period of the organization and until the first national convention: President, E. R. Nichols (also editor of the Forensic); Vice-President, E. A. Vaughn (also chairman of the Charter Committee); John A. Shields, Secretary and Treasurer, and J. H. Kremmyre, Historian. Arthur L. Crookham and P. C. Somerville were appointed members of the Charter Committee.

The first chapter to organize under the final national constitution was the Ottawa University chapter, organized by Shields early in 1913. Iowa Wesleyan followed the same year. The original plan of admitting a number of Kansas colleges fell through and Washburn College only organized and was admitted in 1913. Nebraska Wesleyan came next, 1913. Morningside and Cotner

organized during the spring of 1913 also, but did not complete their connection with the national organization. Ripon, Monmouth and Southwestern ran into difficulties over the non-fraternity policies of their management. The attempt to get a chapter at Monmouth was abandoned but the Ripon chapter reorganized and petitioned the board of trustees for permission to join a national honorary society as it clearly was not a social fraternity or "Greek letter organization" in the ordinary sense of the word. It was granted.

In the school year 1913-14, Illinois Wesleyan organized and was admitted, and Kansas State Agricultural College organized. Its admission was halted owing to the fact that a state chapter had been formed in Kansas by the Ottawa and Washburn chapters the previous year, and some of the state officers opposed the admission of the chapter at Manhattan. The National President and Secretary intervened and the matter was at last adjusted and K. S. A. C. was admitted. At the end of the year 1913–14 Central College (Pella, Iowa) and Occidental College and the University of Redlands in Southern California were admitted. So far in 1914–15 Colorado Agricultural College and the original chapter at Ripon have been admitted. Practically speaking the chapter at Ripon has existed from the beginning as a chapter of Pi Kappa Delta but has just finished its national connection.

Pi Kappa Delta has but one state chapter at present—the one in Kansas. As stated above, this chapter was organized in the spring of 1913. The first state convention was held at Ottawa and C. Benjamin Franklin of Washburn College was elected first president. In the spring of 1914, the second state convention was held at Manhattan, Kansas, at the time of the Installation of the K.S.A.C. chapter and Roy E. Gwin of K. S. A. C. was elected president. California and Iowa are eligible for state chapters each having the necessary two local chapters.

An attempt was made in 1913–14 to launch the Forensic but failed for various reasons. A renewed effort this year has been successful. In this issue, the first, we print the constitution as revised during this fall semester by the National Founders. The object of this revision has been to gain more compactness and practicability in the organization, and all fraternity features have been eliminated so that Pi Kappa Delta emerges at last as a full fledged, forensic honorary society.

CONSTITUTION OF PI KAPPA DELTA FORENSIC HONOR SOCIETY.

ARTICLE I. NAME.

1. The name of this Honorary Forensic Society shall be "Pi Kappa Delta" the initial letters of the Greek phrase signifying "the art of persuasion beautiful and just." The name shall be written thus: "ΠΙ Κ Δ" on all insignia of the organization.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE.

It shall be the purpose of this organization to stimulate progress in, and to promote the interests of intercollegiate oratory, debate, and public speaking by encouraging a spirit of intercollegiate fellowship, of brotherly co-operation and interest, and by conferring upon deserving candidates a badge of distinction, proficiency and honor varied and graduated according to merit and achievement.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP.

1. Eligibility to membership in this society shall be determined solely upon a basis of merit, the other conditions of membership having been complied with. It shall be the rule to admit such eligible candidates as make application, valid reason for rejection being found only in individual character, involving such questions as personal honesty and integrity, plagiarism, and gentlemanly conduct in all the affairs of life.

2. Membership in this society shall be of three degrees, three orders, and four classes.

3. The Degrees shall be (1) the Degree of Fraternity, (2) the Degree of Proficiency, and (3) the Degree of Honor. All members of the Degree of Honor shall at the same time be members of the Degree of Proficiency, and all members of the Degree of Proficiency shall at the same time be members of the Degree of Fraternity.

4. The Orders shall be (1) the Order of Oratory, (2) the Order of Debate, and (3) the Order of Instruction. The members of this society who are admitted to the Degree of Fraternity because of achievement in Oratory shall be of the Order of Oratory; because of achievement in Debate shall be of the Order of Debate; because of achievement in Instruction shall be of the Order of Instruction. A member may be of one, two, or three orders, depending upon his qualifications.

5. The Classes shall be (1) Active, (2) Inactive, (3) Alumni, and (4) Honorary. Only college students and instructors in public speaking, actively engaged as such at the time of making applica-

tion, shall be eligible to admission as Active members. Those members admitted as Active shall remain in that Class until graduation unless transferred to the Inactive Class or expelled from the organization. Only former Active members, excepting those expelled, shall constitute the Inactive Class of this organization. Only former Active members, who have graduated from a recognized educational institution of collegiate rank, shall constitute the Alumni Class of this organization. Only college professors, other than in public speaking, and Alumni or former students of collegiate rank, out of school before becoming members of this society, shall be eligible to admission as Honorary members. Alumni members who subscribe for the Forensic shall retain the privileges of Active members. Honorary members may not become Active or Inactive members, and Active or Inactive members may not become Honorary.

6. The Order and Class of a member shall at all times be determined for all degrees by his Order and Class in the Degree of Fraternity.

7. Inactive, Honorary and Alumni members shall not be required to pay assessments or membership dues. Such members shall not be entitled to receive the Forensic free of charge, but it is expected that they will become subscribers to that publication. Active members of the Degrees of Proficiency and Honor shall not be required to pay National membership dues except as members of the Degree of Fraternity. The various state chapters and the National Chapter may levy such assessments upon their respective members as they desire.

ARTICLE IV. DIVISIONS.

1. This organization shall be composed of three divisions: (1) the Local Chapter, (2) The State Chapter, and (3) The National Chapter. The Local and State chapters shall be subordinate to the National Chapter, and the Local chapters shall be subordinate to the respective State chapters.

ARTICLE V. THE DEGREE OF FRATERNITY.

1. **Local Chapter.** The Local Chapter shall be the unit of the society, and shall be the local organization. A Local Chapter may be established in any recognized college or university, or outside of an institution of learning, as hereinafter provided. A Local Chapter outside of an institution of learning shall be distinguished from the regular local chapter by being called an Alumni chapter and shall be composed only of members admitted to the society through Local, State, or National chapters. All members of Local chapters of this organization shall be members of the Degree of Fraternity.

2. **Eligibility.** Eligibility to membership in a Local Chapter of this society shall be determined as follows: The candidate shall

have won first honors in a recognized local oratorical contest, or shall have represented his college in a recognized intercollegiate oratorical contest or debate; or shall be an instructor in public speaking or a coach of debate in a recognized college.

3. **Membership.** Each candidate for membership in this society shall make application for admission to the Local established in the institution of which he is a student, former student, or instructor. In case no Local chapter is established in that institution application may be made to the State Chapter having jurisdiction for membership in its General Chapter,

4. **Application.** Each candidate for membership (except charter membership) in a Local Chapter shall make application in writing on the official blank. The Local Chapter shall then make an investigation of the eligibility of the candidate and, upon favorable report shall admit the applicant to membership. The application shall then be forwarded to the General Secretary with a statement of its acceptance by the Local Chapter, together with the national dues as provided in Section 11 of this article. The General Secretary shall immediately issue a certificate of membership and the applicant shall become a regular member of the society, and his name shall be entered upon the Grand Catalog of members kept by the National President.

5. **Size of Local Chapter.** No Local Chapter shall be allowed to retain its Charter if its Active membership for any school year falls below five. The membership on May 15th shall be considered as the membership for the current year. Should a chapter be suspended its membership shall be automatically transferred to membership in the General Chapter of the state having jurisdiction.

6. **Activities of Local Chapter.** The Local Chapter shall have full charge of all its activities within the limits of this Constitution, the rules of the State Chapter under which it is organized, and the regulations of the National Chapter. No Local Chapter shall be a secret society, fraternity, or social organization. It shall be merely an honorary society. No Local Chapter may impose regulations that will affect the standing of any member of a higher degree than the Degree of Fraternity, except it may, as a penalty for non-payment of dues or assessments levied by the Local Chapter, transfer Active members to Inactive membership, due notice of such transfer being given to the General Secretary on the official blank.

7. **Referendum Vote.** Each Local Chapter shall be entitled to vote in all referendum elections on matters pertaining to the organization, each active member being entitled to cast a vote.

8. **Charter.** A Charter bearing the Seal of the organization and signed by the National Officers shall be granted to each Local Chapter of this society upon its organization as such. The Char-

ters shall be duplicates of the standard form filed as such with the Historian of this organization.

9. **Petitions for Charters.** All petitions for charters shall be made to the Chairman of the Charter Committee on the official blank. Such petitions shall be signed by not less than five candidates eligible to Active membership in the proposed chapter. No person who is or has been a member of a Local or General chapter of this society shall be eligible to sign a petition for a new Local chapter except he accompany his signature to the petition with a provisional dismissal from his chapter on the official blank. Each petition for a charter shall be accompanied by an application for Active membership in the proposed chapter for each signer of the petition who is not already a member of a Local chapter of this organization, and by a College Information Blank properly filled out for the institution in which it is proposed to establish the chapter. Upon receipt of official notice from the General Secretary that the petition has been accepted the Charter fee and membership dues for the first year for each new member (together with the price of official Pi Kappa Delta keys desired) shall be sent to the General Secretary. (See Article entitled Procedure.)

10. **Alumni Chapters.** Alumni chapters of this organization may be established by five former members of Local or General chapters who are no longer actively connected with any institution of learning, and who shall accompany their petition with provisional dismissals, on the official blank, from their former chapters. Alumni chapters shall be permitted to organize as fraternities with social purpose. No Alumni Chapter shall admit any new members otherwise than by accepting transfers of membership from members of other chapters. Only members of the Inactive (First Division), Alumni, and Honorary classes shall be eligible to membership in the Alumni chapters. Members of Alumni chapters shall not be required to pay National dues, but the chapter shall pay a charter fee.

11. **Fees.** The membership fee of Active members shall be One Dollar and Fifty Cents per year, payable in advance before November 1 of each school year, or thereafter at the time of admission to membership. Members admitted after November 1 shall pay for the current year in proportion to the unexpired portion of the year ending with the following November 1. The Charter fee' payable upon the establishment of the Chapter, shall be Five Dollars. The payment of the membership fee shall entitle the member to receive the Forensic without further charge.

12. **Local Chapter Finances.** The Local Chapter shall have the power to levy such assessments on its Active members as it may choose. Non-payment of annual membership dues shall cause the delinquent member to be transferred, without notice, to Inactive membership. Non-payment of assessments shall render the delin-

quent member liable to be transferred to Inactive membership at the option of the Local chapter, due notice of such transfer being given to the General Secretary on the official blank.

13. **Inactive Membership.** There shall be two divisions of Inactive members: (1) those Inactive because of non-attendance at the institution of learning in which their chapter is established, and (2) those Inactive by order of the Local, State or National chapters. An Inactive member of the first division shall become active upon his return to school. An Inactive member of the second division may become active upon payment of all dues and assessments that are due and unpaid by him at the time of his transference to the Inactive list, and upon payment of his membership dues for the current year, together with an additional re-instatement fee of Fifty Cents. Such back dues and assessments shall be forwarded to the Chapter (Local, State, or National) to which they rightly belonged at the time of the transfer of membership, the re-instatement fee being forwarded to the General Secretary together with the notice of re-instatement on the official blank.

14. **Responsibility.** The President of the Local chapter shall be the responsible head of the local organization as far as its relations with the State and National chapters are concerned, and he shall be responsible for the fulfillment of the requirements of this constitution, and the regulations of the State and National chapters.

15. **Expulsion.** The Local chapter shall have power to expel any member of the Degree of Fraternity, who is not also a member of the Degree of Proficiency. Notice of such expulsion shall be sent to the General Secretary on the official form, accompanied by the key of the member expelled. An expelled member may be re-admitted to membership by a unanimous vote of the Local chapter.

16. **Jurisdiction.** In the absence of a State chapter in a state in which it is proposed to establish a Local chapter the National President may temporarily assign the proposed Local chapter to the jurisdiction of some established State chapter. Until the time when the first State chapters shall be organized under this constitution, Local chapters shall be organized under the jurisdiction of the National Chapter without reference to State chapters. Local chapters so organized shall be placed under the jurisdiction of State chapters when the latter are organized.

17. **Transference of Membership.** Any Active member in good standing may transfer his membership from one Local chapter to another by securing a provisional dismissal, on the official blank, from the chapter of which he is a member, provided such dismissal is accepted in due form by another Chapter and forwarded to the General Secretary, or is forwarded to the General Secretary in connection with a petition for a new chapter. When

certified by the General Secretary such provisional dismissal shall constitute the transfer of membership mentioned thereon.

18. **Change in Standing.** Any member of this organization who after his admission to membership may become eligible to a different Class, or to one or more additional Orders, or to a higher Degree shall have his standing in the organization changed, upon application on the official form, in the regular manner of procedure, and upon sending his key to the General Secretary to be exchanged for an official key of his new standing.

19. **Election of Officers.** The regular annual election of officers shall be at the first regular meeting after January 1st of each year unless otherwise arranged for by the Local chapter.

ARTICLE VI. THE DEGREE OF PROFICIENCY.

1. **State Chapter.** The State chapter shall be the state organization of this society, uniting the Local chapters of the state. All members of State chapters of this society shall be members of the Degree of Proficiency.

2. **Eligibility.** Eligibility to membership in a State chapter of this society shall be determined as follows: The candidate for membership shall be an Active or Honorary (or eligible to Active or Honorary membership in Proficiency) member of a Local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta under the jurisdiction of the State chapter to which application is made. If of the Order of Oratory, the candidate shall have won as high as third place in a recognized intercollegiate contest of at least six or more contestants, as high as second place in a contest of less than six contestants. If of the Order of Debate, the candidate shall have been a member of two debate teams, participating in recognized Intercollegiate Debates, one of which shall have been a winning team. If of the Order of Instruction, the candidate shall have instructed in Public Speaking, at least five members of the Degree of Proficiency.

3. **Application.** Each candidate for membership (except charter membership) in a State chapter shall make application in writing on the official blank. This application shall be unanimously approved by the Local chapter of which the candidate is a member, and forwarded to the President of the State chapter. The State President shall, if there is to be a meeting of the State Convention within two weeks, present the application for action before this meeting. At all other times he shall take a poll of the State Council and upon their favorable action shall send the application together with notice of the candidate's election to the Degree of Proficiency and membership in the State chapter to the General Secretary. He shall also notify the candidate of his election. Candidates for the Degree of Proficiency from Local chapters not under the jurisdiction of State Chapters shall send their applications direct to the General Secretary, who shall immediately take a poll of the National Council and notify the candidate of the result.

4. **Requirements for State Chapter.** No State chapter shall be allowed to retain its Charter unless there are at least two Local chapters under its jurisdiction. Any Local chapter in the jurisdiction of a discontinued State chapter shall be assigned to some other State chapter or placed under the jurisdiction of the National Chapter, by the National President. Upon the transference of a Local chapter to another jurisdiction all memberships affected shall likewise be transfered.

5. **Activities of State Chapter.** The State chapter shall have full charge of all its activities within the limits of this constitution and the Regulations of the National Chapter. No State chapter shall be a secret society or fraternity. No State chapter may impose regulations that will affect the standing of any member of the Degree of Honor, except it may, as a penalty for non-payment of assessments levied on members of the Degree of Proficiency, transfer Active members to Inactive membership, due notice of such transfer being given to the General Secretary on the official form.

6. **Charter.** A Charter, bearing the seal of the society and signed by the National Officers, shall be granted to each State chapter upon its organization as such. The Charters shall be duplicates of the standard form filed as such with the Historian of this organization.

7. **Petitions for Charters.** All petitions for Charters shall be made to the Chairman of the Charter Committee on the official blank. Such petitions shall be signed by not less than five candidates eligible to Active membership in the proposed chapter, at least two Local chapters being represented by the signers of such petition. Each petition shall be accompanied by a Transfer of Jurisdiction for each Local represented on the official form. Each petition for a State chapter shall also be accompanied by an application for Active membership in the proposed chapter for each signer who is not already a member of the Degree of Proficiency.

The Chairman of the Charter Committee shall take a poll of the Charter Committee and upon their favorable action shall notify the petitioners, the General Secretary and the National President. Upon the receipt of the official notice from the Chairman of the Charter Committee the charter fee shall be sent to the General Secretary and he shall forward the Charter. Upon the granting of two Local charters in any state the National President may appoint a Temporary State President and other officers necessary to work up a petition and establish a state organization.

8. **Fees.** The Charter fee, payable upon the establishment of the State chapter, shall be ten dollars. There shall be no membership fee due the National organization from members of the Degree of Proficiency as such.

9. **Finances.** The State chapter shall have the power to levy such assessments on its Active members as it may choose. Non-payment of such assessments shall cause the delinquent member to be liable to transference to Inactive membership at the option of the State Council, due notice of such transfer being given to the General Secretary on the official form. In case a member is transferred to Inactive membership by the State Council he shall thereby become an Inactive member of the Local chapter, and he may not be re-instated to Active membership except as herein provided and by the consent of the State Council having jurisdiction.

10. **Responsibility.** The President of the State chapter shall be the responsible head of the state organization so far as its relations with the National and Local chapters is concerned, and he shall be responsible for the fulfillment of the requirements of this constitution and the regulations of the National chapter.

11. **Expulsion.** The State chapter shall have the power to expel any member of the Degree of Proficiency who is not also of the Degree of Honor. Notice of such expulsion shall be sent to the General Secretary on the official form provided therefor. An expelled member may be re-admitted only by a unanimous vote, and shall not be re-admitted to a Local chapter without the consent of the State chapter having jurisdiction.

12. **State Convention.** There shall be held annually a regular meeting of the State chapter of each state, at the time and place selected by the preceding regular annual meeting, or if not thus designated, as selected by the State Council. In such meetings only members of the Degree of Proficiency shall sit, but Inactive and Honorary members shall not be allowed to vote. The officers of the State chapter shall be elected at the regular annual meeting, and they shall constitute the State Council. This meeting may, if it seems desirable, select delegates to the National Convention, but such delegates shall be members of the National Chapter. The State Convention may work under any rules or constitution that it desires to adopt, in harmony with the letter and spirit of this Constitution and the regulations of the National Chapter. The State Council shall act for the State Convention when the latter is not in session.

13. **The General State Chapter.** The State chapter may provide for a General chapter whose membership shall be composed of college students and instructors of Public Speaking, eligible to the Degree of Proficiency, who are connected with recognized institutions of learning within its jurisdiction not having a Local chapter of this organization. The State chapter may also elect to Honorary membership in the General chapter prominent alumni of institutions in which there is no chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. Members of suspended and abandoned chapters shall be transferred to membership in the General chapter having jurisdiction.

Members of the General chapter may sit in the State Convention but shall not hold separate meetings. Members of the General chapter shall be entitled to vote in referendum elections. The officers of the General chapter shall be the same as those of the State chapter.

ARTICLE VII. THE DEGREE OF HONOR.

1. **National Chapter.** The National chapter shall be the national organization uniting the State and Local chapters into the Pi Kappa Delta Forensic Honor Society as a national organization. The National Chapter shall be the source of all authority in this society, except as otherwise specifically provided for in this Constitution. All members of the National chapter shall be members of the Degree of Honor.

2. **Eligibility.** Eligibility to membership in the National chapter of this society shall be determined as follows: The candidate for membership shall be an Active, or Honorary member of the Degree of Proficiency, who shall have won first honors in a recognized state oratorical contest, or shall have been a member of three debate teams participating in recognized intercollegiate debates two of which shall have been winning teams (it being permissable to substitute participation in a recognized state oratorical contest for one debate), or shall be a member of the Order of Instruction who has instructed in Public Speaking at least five members of the Degree of Honor.

3. **Application.** Each candidate for membership in the National chapter shall make application in writing on the official blank. This application shall be unanimously approved by the Local chapter of which the candidate is a member and by the State Council having jurisdiction. The application shall then be forwarded by the State President to the General Secretary. The General Secretary shall immediately take a poll of the members of the National Council and upon their favorable action shall notify the applicant of his election. Candidates from Local chapters not under State chapter jurisdiction shall, upon approval of the Local chapter, send their applications direct to the General Secretary, who shall proceed as herein provided.

4. **Activities.** The National chapter shall have full charge of all its activities within the limits of this Constitution. It shall not be a secret society or fraternity, but may hold social events at its National Meetings or Conventions.

5. **Finances.** The National chapter shall have power to levy such assessments on its Active members as it may choose. Nonpayment of such assessments shall cause the delinquent member to be liable to transference to Inactive membership at the option of the National Council. In case a member is transferred to Inactive membership by the National Council he shall thereby become an Inactive member of the Local and State chapters and he may not

be re-instated to Active membership except by the consent of the National Council.

6. **General Finances.** The National chapter by a two-thirds vote, or the National Council upon a majority vote in a referendum election, shall have the power to levy such assessments on the Local chapters as seem necessary. Such assessments shall be apportioned among the various Local chapters in proportion to their respective membership. Non-payment of such an assessment shall render the delinquent chapter liable to have its charter cancelled at the option of the National Council. Such a suspended chapter shall not be re-established except on payment of the back assessment to the General Secretary and by the vote of the National Council.

7. **Expulsion.** The National chapter shall have power to expel any member of the Degree of Honor. A member thus expelled shall thereby be expelled from the Local and State chapters. An expelled member may be re-instated to membership by consent of the National Council.

8. **Officers.** The Officers of the National chapter shall be President, Vice President, General Secretary, and Historian. Their duties shall be those usually devolving upon the respective positions, together with such additional duties as are provided for in this constitution. The President shall be the Editor in Chief of the Forensic. The Vice President shall be Chairman of the Charter Committee. The General Secretary shall be Secretary-Treasurer of the society. The Historian shall be the custodian of the records (except the records of the General Secretary) including a file of the Forensic and all other publications of the organization.

9. **National Convention.** There shall be held at a time and place designated at the last regular meeting of the National chapter, or if not thus designated, as selected by the National Council, a National Convention which shall be the regular meeting of the National Chapter of this society. In such meetings only members of the Degree of Honor shall sit but Inactive and Honorary members shall not be allowed to vote. Each Local chapter shall be entitled to one delegate provided that delegate be of the Degree of Honor. Should this requirement prevent a chapter from having representation it may elect a representative from the National Chapter and instruct his vote, on all matters, previous to the meeting. Each State chapter shall be entitled to two delegates provided the delegates be of the Degree of Honor. Should this requirement prevent a state chapter from having representation it may elect delegates from the National Chapter and instruct their votes, on all matters, previous to the meeting. Members of the National Chapter thus representing Local and State chapters shall not be deprived of their votes as members of the Degree of Honor. The officers of the National Chapter shall be elected at the regular National Con-

vention, which shall be held every other year, and the term of office shall be for two years or until their successors are elected and qualified. The officers shall constitute the National Council. The National Council shall act for the National Convention when the latter is not in session.

10. **Referendum.** The National Council may at its option take a referendum vote of the members of the Degree of Honor on important questions within the jurisdiction of the National chapter.

ARTICLE VIII. OFFICERS AND DUTIES.

1. **Local and State.** The Local and State chapters may select such officers and assign to them such duties as the respective chapters may choose. The Presidents of these respective chapters shall be the responsible heads of the respective organizations. The State officers shall constitute the State Council.

2. **National.** The officers of the National Chapter shall be the officers of the whole organization of Pi Kappa Delta and shall constitute the National Council. The National President shall be the executive head and shall preside at all meetings of the National Council and National Convention. The outgoing president shall be the temporary chairman of the Convention, and the newly elected president shall be the permanent chairman. The General Secretary shall have charge of the issuing of all charters, keys, supplies, etc. He shall keep a complete record of each member of the society, of each Local chapter, and of each State chapter, and at the close of each school year he shall make a complete report of the membership, changes, and activities in every branch of the society, a copy of which shall be signed by the President and deposited with the Historian. He shall keep a complete record of finances, supplies, etc. and shall make payments of money only on written order signed by the President. He shall give bond in the sum required by the National Council. He shall collect all moneys due the National Organization, and shall make an itemized financial report for publication in the Forensic at least once each year. He shall certify to the various State Presidents the complete roll of Active members of the respective State chapters upon request, and shall make up the roll of the National chapter before each Convention.

3. **Charter Committee.** The National President shall appoint a Charter Committee composed of two or more members of the Degree of Honor to act with the Vice President, who shall be Chairman of the Committee. It shall be the function of this committee to investigate local organizations petitioning Pi Kappa Delta, to pass upon the petitions and make recommendations to the National Council, National Convention, or National Organization concerning them. The Charter Committee shall have power of final action in case of Alumni chapters and State chapters and shall

grant them charters if the requirements of the Constitution are met by the petitioning chapters.

ARTICLE IX. REFERENDUM.

1. A referendum vote of the entire organization of Pi Kappa Delta shall be taken by the General Secretary upon any question of society action or policy at the request of five Local chapters, two State chapters, or a majority of the National Council. The final vote in such a referendum shall not be taken less than two months nor more than three months following the filing of the request with the General Secretary, the months of June, July and August not counted. All Local chapters shall be notified by the General Secretary of the proposed referendum and given full particulars concerning the question to be voted on at least one month before the vote is taken. Each Local chapter shall cast as many votes in this referendum as there are votes cast on the question at the Local chapter meeting at which it is submitted for consideration, and the vote shall be reported not as a chapter vote, but as a body of individual votes, the number of votes cast on each side of the question being reported to the General Secretary. The result of the referendum shall be binding on the National Council and Convention. No referendum shall be taken on questions decided by this Constitution or on questions pertaining exclusively to any particular Degree of this society, and the National Council shall judge the propriety of questions submitted.

ARTICLE X. THE FORENSIC.

1. This society shall publish a magazine devoted to the interests of the organization, which shall be known as "The Forensic of Pi Kappa Delta." The magazine shall contain the official papers of the society, news of its work and progress, general forensic news and articles such as briefs of debates, reports of oratorical contests and debates, and such other material as shall be suitable for a forensic magazine. The President shall be its Editor in Chief, and shall have direct charge of it, subject to the general supervision of the National Council and the National Chapter. Subscription shall be free to all Active members of this society, and in applying for membership the candidate also understands that he is subscribing for this magazine. The subscription price of the magazine shall be fixed by the National Council.

ARTICLE XI. RECOGNIZED FORENSIC EVENTS.

1. Recognized institutions, oratorical contests, and debates shall be determined as follows: All institutions maintaining Local chapters of Pi Kappa Delta shall be considered as recognized institutions. A Local chapter may get the rival institutions in its state recognized by petitioning for such action by the National Council. All state oratorical contests in which a majority of the

recognized institutions of the state shall participate shall be considered as recognized state contests. All local contests preliminary to, and all Interstate or National contests subsequent to such recognized state contests shall be considered as recognized contests. All intercollegiate debates participated in between recognized colleges, and such other debates as may be especially recognized by the State Council or in its absence by the National Council shall be considered as recognized debates. A Local chapter, or State chapter may by a two-thirds vote bar from recognition any particular contest or debate which it may hold or enter. An appeal from such action may be taken to the National Council or to the National Chapter.

ARTICLE XII. OFFICIAL KEY.

1. The official badge of Pi Kappa Delta shall be an honorary gold key, a duplicate of the official key filed with the Historian of the society as such.

2. **Key Description.** The Key shall denote Degree, Order and distinction of membership, in the following manner: The distinguishing mark of the Degree of Fraternity key shall be an Opal set in the eye; of the Degree of Proficiency shall be a Pearl set in the eye; of the Degree of Honor shall be an Emerald set in the eye; of the Degree of Honor, with Special Distinction, shall be a Diamond set in the eye. The distinguishing mark of the Order of Oratory shall be an Opal set in the upper center; of the Order of Debate shall be a Pearl set in the upper center; of the Order of Instruction shall be an Emerald set in the upper center; of Honorary membership shall be a Sapphire set in the upper center; of two orders shall be a Turquoise set in the upper center; of three orders shall be a Diamond set in the upper center.

3. **Special Distinction.** A key bearing the jewels of special distinction in the Degree of Honor shall be granted as follows: Winners of first or second honors in any recognized interstate oratorical contest, members of at least three successful teams in recognized intercollegiate debate, and members of the Order of Instruction who have instructed in Public Speaking at least ten members of the Degree of Honor and who have maintained an average of fifty per cent success in debate coaching during a period of three consecutive years, or one-half of whose pupils in oratory during a period of three consecutive years have made the Degree of Honor shall be eligible to the badge of Special Distinction in the Degree of Honor.

4. **Key Regulations.** Pi Kappa Delta keys in good condition and unengraved shall be exchangeable for other keys, or may have other sets inserted, upon application to the General Secretary and the payment by the owner of the key of the cost of exchanging or additional jewelling. It shall be a misdemeanor for any member to accept a Pi Kappa Delta Key except through the

General Secretary, or to exchange keys or jewels except through the General Secretary or on his written consent. It shall be cause for the expulsion of any member if he shall voluntarily permit any one not eligible to his standing in Pi Kappa Delta to wear his key. All keys shall be numbered and records kept of them by the General Secretary.

ARTICLE XIII. PROVINCE ORGANIZATION.

1. The President of the National Chapter may, at any time that it seems advisable, provide for province jurisdictions and appoint a member of the National Chapter as head of each province. A province shall consist of three or more State jurisdictions, and when advisable may hold conventions composed of delegates of the Local and State chapters and of the members of the Degree of Honor in that jurisdiction under the same rules as those provided for the National Convention in Article VII, Section 9. The Head of the Province shall be directly responsible to the National President and National Council for the condition of his Province. It shall be his duty to see that each chapter in his jurisdiction keeps its work going properly, makes its reports of newly elected members. and of changes in standing of members, etc. He shall be the field representative of Pi Kappa Delta in his jurisdiction and shall when possible visit the chapters, help to organize locals to petition Pi Kappa Delta in institutions not yet entered, install chapters when charters are granted, and shall preside at province conventions.

ARTICLE XIV. GRAND CATALOG.

1. The National President shall keep a Grand Catalog of the names of members of Pi Kappa Delta, with a record of the Class, Orders, Degree, Special Distinction, Graduation year, Key number, chapter and address. The President of each Local and State chapter shall send this information annually in May, or oftener if requested, to the president on the official catalog forms. The National President shall compare this information with the annual report of the General Secretary and verify, and shall then file the catalog form in the Grand Catalog.

ARTICLE XV. PROCEDURE.

1. **Petition for Local Chapter.** The petition shall be made on the official blank. It may be received by any member of the society but shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Charter Committee, the National Vice President, together with the other forms provided for in Article V, Section 9. (In case of Alumni chapters no college information blank shall be required.) The Vice President shall see that the blanks are properly filled out and that the petitioners are eligible, after which he shall forward duplicates of the College Information blank, with a list of the names and qualifications of the individual petitioners to the other members of the

Charter Committee. (In case of an Alumni chapter a statement of the facts concerning the proposed chapter shall be sent instead of an information blank.) Each member of the Charter Committee shall vote "Yes" or "No" on the question of recommending the acceptance of the petition and the granting of a charter, and send his vote to the Chairman. Before casting his own vote the Chairman shall consult the Local chapters in the jurisdiction in which it is proposed to install the new chapter and ascertain their attitude. If the attitude of the Charter Committee is favorable and the Local chapters concerned make no objection, he shall recommend to the National Council that the charter be granted. The National Council shall take final action. Should the attitude of the Charter Committee be unfavorable, the Chairman shall notify the person who sent in the petition to the Committee. If the Charter Committee is favorable and any of the Local chapters in the jurisdiction are opposed the Chairman shall place the petition, without recommendation, before the National Council, for final action. In such cases the National Council may take a referendum vote of the National Chapter if it shall see fit to do so, or place the matter before the next National Convention. When a charter has been granted by the National Council or National Chapter in referendum or convention, the General Secretary shall notify the President of the Local petitioners, and the President of the State chapter jurisdiction of the granting of the charter. Upon receipt of this notification the members of the new Local chapter shall send the charter fee and dues as provided in Article V, Section 9, and the General Secretary shall immediately forward certificates of membership and the charter. Each petitioner of the Local chapter shall be granted the standing in the society that his achievements qualify him for and the General Secretary shall notify the State chapter of the added members of the Degree of Proficiency, and shall make a full report of the standing of all new members to the National President for filing in the Grand Catalog. The National President may appoint any member of the society to install the new chapter or may waive installation ceremony. The charter members of the new Local shall not be required to purchase keys but it is desirable that they do so. The General Secretary shall make a record of all actions taken in admitting new chapters, shall keep a record of each member, and of those subsequently added, and shall turn the original papers over to the Historian for filing. All blanks necessary to petition Pi Kappa Delta shall be furnished by the General Secretary to other members of the society or to petitioners free of charge.

2. **Petition for State Chapter.** Upon the granting of a State chapter as provided in Article VI, Section 7, the Chairman of the Charter Committee shall forward all papers in connection therewith to the General Secretary, who shall make a record of the transactions and of the standing of the individual members and

shall then file the papers with the Historian. He shall also send a record of the standing of the members to the National President for filing in the Grand Catalog. The General Secretary shall receive and exchange the keys of the members of the new State chapter for keys proper to their standing. He shall furnish all blanks necessary to application for a State chapter to any member of the society free of charge.

3. **Individual Membership Petitions.** Petitions for individual membership (except charter membership) in Local chapters shall be made as provided in Article V, Section 4. Petitions for membership in State chapters shall be made as provided in Article VI, Section 3. Petitions for membership in the General chapter of the State organization shall be made on the official blank which may be obtained by application to the State President. When filled out such applications should be returned to the State President. It shall be his duty to place such applications before the State Council and upon their recommendation the applications shall be presented to the State Convention for final action, or if the Convention is not to meet within one month, the State Council may present the names before the members of the State chapter for election by referendum. Petitions for National membership shall be made as provided in Article VII, Section 3. All membership petitions when accepted shall be sent to the General Secretary who shall keep a record of the members on his books, and shall make a report of them to the National President for filing in the Grand Catalog. Local presidents and State presidents shall also make a report of the standing of all members to the National President annually as provided in Article IV.

ARTICLE XVI. RULES OF ORDER.

1. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority of this society in Parliamentary procedure.

ARTICLE XVII. AMENDMENTS.

1. This Constitution may be amended at a regular National Convention by a two-thirds vote of the delegates and members of the National chapter present, or by a three-fourths vote in a referendum initiated by the National Council and taken as provided for in Article IX of this Constitution.

ARTICLE XVIII. CHARTER MEMBERSHIP.

1. The following original signers of this Constitution, when they shall have signed the official copy and deposited with the General Secretary a complete statement of their respective attainments in Intercollegiate Oratory and Debate, and in Instruction shall become and constitute the Charter membership of Pi Kappa Delta. Each Charter member shall be entitled to become a member of the Local and State chapters of his choice, and shall connect himself with a Local and State chapter as soon as possible

after the signing of this constitution. This article shall be binding regardless of, and in exception to, any contrary provisions as to membership that may be defined by this Constitution. The following persons shall be the officers of the National Chapter of this society from the time of the signing of this Constitution until their successors are elected and qualified: President, Egbert Ray Nichols, University of Redlands; Vice President, E. A. Vaughn, Kansas State Agricultural College; General Secretary, John A. Shields, Ottawa University; Historian, J. H. Krenmyre, Iowa Wesleyan. The signers above referred to shall be the officers just mentioned, and C. J. Boddy, Kansas Wesleyan University; Frank P. Johnson, Morningside College; A. L. Crookham, Southwestern College; P. C. Somerville, Illinois Wesleyan; H. O. Pritchard, Eureka College; Dan. C. Lockwood, College of Emporia.

We, signers of the Original Constitution, and Charter members of Pi Kappa Delta, do hereby recognize the foregoing constitution as the Revised Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta and hereby authorize its publication as such by the Editor of the Forensic of Pi Kappa Delta.

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President.

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Vice President.

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J. H. KRENMYRE,
Historian.

ARTHUR L. CROOKHAM,
Member, Charter Com.

P. C. SOMERVILLE,
Member, Charter Com.

CARL OSTRUM.

Carl Ostrum, assistant professor of the English language and debate coach at Kansas Agricultural College, died at his home at Bunker Hill, Kansas, Dec. 14, 1914.

Mr. Ostrum is the first member of Pi Kappa Delta since its organization in 1913 to fall before the grim reaper. His loss will be greatly felt as he was rapidly gaining a wide influence in forensic affairs. The K. S. A. C. men write that they have lost their best friend in the faculty, the man who made Pi Kappa Delta possible at Manhattan.

Mr. Ostrum was a graduate of Bethany College, Kansas, held the A. B. and A. M. degrees from Yale, and had taught in Gustavus Adolphus College, Minn., Tabor College, Iowa, Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, and in the Kansas Agricultural College since 1912. He was a man of literary ability, forensic achievement, and of sterling character. He taught a Sunday School class at the Methodist Church in Manhattan and was one of the most influential instructors on the campus at K. S. A. C.

ARTHUR L. CROOKHAM
Member, Charter Committee

P. C. SOMERVILLE
Member, Charter Committee

E. A. VAUGHN, *Vice-President*
Chairman, Charter Committee

CHAPTER ROLL OF PI KAPPA DELTA.

Showing individual membership, class in organization, order, degree, graduation year, addresses, etc. Abbreviations used: Act. for Active, Inac. for Inactive, Grad. for Alumni, Hono. for Honorary, Deb. for Debate, Orat. for Oratory, Instr. for Instruction, Frat. for Degree of Fraternity, Prof. for Degree of Proficiency, Hon. for Degree of Honor, and Sp. D. for Special Distinction in Degree of Honor. Present address is given first, home address second. If you are not listed correctly notify the National President.

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OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE, 1914.

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Occidental College, Los Angeles, Calif., Hollywood, Calif.
Mier, Millard M., Act. Deb. Frat., Occidental College, Los Angeles, Cal.
Petty, A. Ray, Grad. Deb. Frat. '14, Ione, Calif.
Riley, Harold W., Act. Deb. Frat., Occidental College, Los Angeles.
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UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS, 1914.

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Looper, H. Spurgeon, Act. Deb. Frat. '15, Ft. Collins, Colo.
Miller, Raymond H., Act. Deb. Frat. '17, Ft. Collins, Rifle, Colo.
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IOWA WESLEYAN, 1913.

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Saunderson, Edith, Act. Deb. Frat., Keosauqua, Ia.
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IOWA GENERAL.

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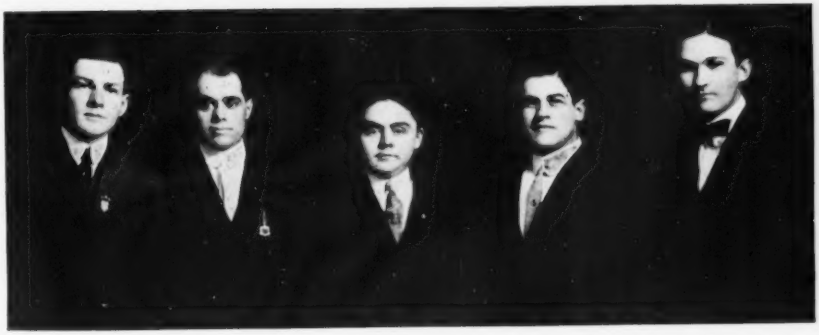

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FORENSIC HONORARY ORGANIZATIONS.

There are four forensic honor societies. The oldest, Delta Sigma Rho, was organized in 1906 and the youngest, Pi Kappa Delta was begun in 1912 and completed in organization in January 1913. Tau Kappa Alpha, the second in the field, was begun in 1907 and organized in 1908.

Delta Sigma Rho.

The credit for the organization of Delta Sigma Rhois shared by Professor McDermott, of the University of Minnesota, and Prof. Gordon, of the University of Iowa. These two men conceived the idea of organizing an honorary forensic fraternity at about the same time and wrote each other letters on the subject which passed somewhere in Uncle Sam's mail bags between Minneapolis and Iowa City. The upshot of their planning was that on April 13, 1906, reprentatives of the state universities of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois and from Chicago and Northwestern universities met at the Stratford Hotel in Chicago and formulated plans for the organization now known as Delta Sigma Rho.

Delta Sigma Rho is organized much as the ordinary Greek letter fraternity is organized—upon a chapter basis. Individual members of the local are members of the national organization. Eligibility to membership is determined as follows: "Any person who has been an authorized and fully participating representative of a university or college having a chapter of Delta Sigma Rho or thereafter establishing one, in an intercollegiate contest of debate or oratory, shall be eligible to membership in the local chapter and may be elected by a majority vote, provided that no person representing a part of the university or college only shall be eligible."

The key of Delta Sigma Rho is a gold rhomboid with the letters Delta Sigma Rho engraved across the face. It is neat and attractive.

Delta Sigma Rho holds annual conventions. These were begun in 1907 and continue in an unbroken line to the present, a rather remarkable achievement.

From the eight universities which met to found it, Delta Sigma Rho has grown until it includes almost every large university in the country. Its chapter roll as reported for the next volume of Intercollegiate Debates includes the following institutions:

Allegheny College
Albion College
Beloit College
Syracuse University
University of Chicago
University of Colorado

Brown University
Carleton College
Colgate University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
George Washington University
Harvard University
Indiana University
Iowa State College
Iowa Teachers' College
Knox College
Leland Stanford University
Northwestern University
Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Princeton University
Swarthmore College
University of Illinois
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of Missouri
University of Nebraska
University of North Dakota
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania
University of Texas
University of Virginia
Washington and Lee University
Wesleyan University
Western Reserve University
Williams College
Yale University

Among the petitions to Delta Sigma Rho which have an excellent chance to be granted are Oberlin College, and Pennsylvania State College.

Tau Kappa Alpha.

Tau Kappa Alpha was conceived and organized by Mr. Oswald Ryan, a student of Butler College, Indiana, with the aid of Hugh Th. Miller, the Lieut. Governor of Indiana at that time (1907–8). After some preliminary work in 1907, a group of men from Butler and Wabash Colleges and DePauw University, all in Indiana, met in the spring of 1908 at the office of Mr. Miller in the Capitol building at Indianapolis and founded the Tau Kappa Alpha Forensic Fraternity.

From Indiana, Tau Kappa Alpha spread to Miami University, Oxford, and Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio. At this time a change seems to have come into the policy of the organization, and as the Editor of the Forensic was informed by a member of Tau Kappa Alpha, only one chapter was established in a state from that time on. This seems to be a distinct feature of Tau Kappa Alpha—the state chapter. Forensic men from other institutions than the one at which the chapter is located are admitted. The organization also encourages the admission of prominent alumni who were forensic men in college. Based upon the state chapter idea, Tau Kappa Alpha, cannot of course have over forty-eight chapters, and at present does not have but about one third of that number. The organization has been conservative from the beginning because of its one chapter policy, wishing, of course, to enter a strong institution when it does enter a state.

The key of the organization is square and resembles the key of Phi Beta Kappa.

The chapter roll as reported to the Editor of Intercollegiate Debates and in the Public Speaking Review is:

Colorado—University of Denver.
Indiana—Butler, DePauw, Wabash.
Idaho—
Louisiana—University of Louisiana.
Massachusetts—
Montana—University of Montana.
New York—New York University.
North Carolina—
Ohio—Miami University, Muskingum College.
Tennessee—Vanderbilt University.
Utah—University of Utah.
Virginia—Randolph-Macon College.
Washington—University of Washington.
Wisconsin—Lawrence College.

Phi Alpha Tau.

The third (not having accurate information our surmise is that it was third) organization to enter the forensic field was Phi Alpha Tau. This organization originated among the students at the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, Mass., and is at the present time the smallest organization in the field in number of chapters, having but five according to the last report received. It may, however, have added more during the school year of 1913–14. Of these chapters only two have been reported to the Editor of Intercollegiate Debates and these are located at the University of Nebraska and at Carroll College, Wisconsin.

The distinctive feature of Phi Alpha Tau is that it is not confined to orators and debaters but admits readers, and students winning places in college dramatics.

Phi Alpha Tau does not confer a key. Its members wear a badge similiar to that of other Greek letter organizations—a badge that can be pinned on the coat, tie, hat, etc.

Pi Kappa Delta.

Since the constitution and chapter roll of Pi Kappa Delta are included in this issue of the Forensic it is not necessary to give them here, as has been done in the case of the other organizations. Our chief concern here is to compare Pi Kappa Delta with the others and see where we stand.

To begin with we are last in the field, third at the present time in number of chapters with an excellent chance of being second before the school year is over because of the state chapter idea and conservative policy of Tau Kappa Alpha.

Next, we are not organized upon the local chapter basis of Delta Sigma Rho or the state chapter basis of Tau Kappa Alpha, but upon the three bases, the local, the state, and the national chapter. Our local membership is not supreme as in Delta Sigma Rho; our state chapter is composed of members of local chapters instead of being a mother chapter located at one institution in a state as in Tau Kappa Alpha. In addition we have a higher chapter, believing that if a state honor is good a national honor is even better. In this we have gone farther than Tau Kappa Alpha. We believe the state chapter idea of Tau Kappa Alpha is faulty in that the chapter is located at one institution instead of being composed of delegates from various institutions. The Indiana state chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha composed of three institutions is our idea of a state chapter.

Growing out of this difference in chapter organization is another essential difference between Pi Kappa Delta and the others. Our local chapters are composed of men who have represented their institutions once as in Delta Sigma Rho, but we have made provision for the man who has done more. For instance, an orator who wins as high as third place in a contest of six gets into the state chapter. Again a winner of a state oratorical gets into the national chapter, and a debater who has represented his institution three times winning twice gets into the national. Pi Kappa Delta gives a special distinction in the national chapter to orators who get as high as second in an interstate and to debaters who win three times. In other words we provide for three degrees, local, state, and national, and practically a fourth—national with special distinction. Also we have divided our organization into orders—debate, oratory, and instruction. We have provisions for the advancement of instructors as well as orators and debaters.

The distinctive feature of Pi Kappa Delta, then, is the degree, or graduated honor. In other words we have a progressive system of honors. And more, we have keys jewelled in a manner which tells instantly a member's standing in the society.

No other forensic society has jewelled keys or a system of increasing honors. As far as the writer knows, no other forensic society has a publication.

It has been the aim of Pi Kappa Delta to retain the best features of previous forensic organizations and get something in addition that is better. The founders of Pi Kappa Delta flatter themselves that they have done this.

Another difference between Pi Kappa Delta and the others is in policy. We do not intend to be a fraternity and run chapter houses or get into the Greek letter game. We are content to be an honor society.

Finally, the extension policy of Pi Kappa Delta is necessarily different. Delta Sigma Rho had taken practically all the state universities, etc. before we were organized. Tau Kappa Alpha

has most of the remaining state universities and large institutions. Pi Kappa Delta was organized to furnish a forensic society for the colleges. A glance at the chapter roll of Delta Sigma Rho discloses few colleges, and those few included are colleges of high position as Knox, Beloit, Swarthmore, Colgate, Williams, Dartmouth. Large colleges, these—the only small ones are Carleton, Albion, and Iowa Teachers' College. Pi Kappa Delta was organized to give the small college its opportunity. True, Pi Kappa Delta, has K. S. A. C., a large College, and Colorado A. C., another large one, but primarily we were organized for the sake of the small college, although we do not exclude the large college or university that may be attracted to our organization. We recognize that in forensic activities the small college is often the superior of the large institution, hence we believe that in entering small colleges with good forensic records we are occupying a field that is fallow, fertile and at hand.

Naturally it is the ambition of Pi Kappa Delta to become a large organization, composed of chapters in many colleges, and state chapters in many states. We aspire to be as well known as Delta Sigma Rho, and whereas it is the university organization, we propose to be the college organization. With the favorable beginning that it has had Pi Kappa Delta bids fair to realize these ambitions.

EDITORIAL

Pi Kappa Delta has made a fine record thus far. Eleven locals and a state chapter in less than two years isn't so bad considering that we have done nothing in the way of advertising the fact that our organization existed outside of an occasional letter or a brief notice in some college paper. We are soon to have more chapters, too, by the way.

"Communication" is the slogan adopted by the Kansas State chapter. Let's make it National. "Communication"—why that is the sole reason for the Forensic. Do you know that it has taken an immense amount of "communication" to make this first issue possible, and that the editor has failed often, after repeated attempts, to get responses out of the chapters. Hammer up beside this motto, "Communication," another practical one, "Write now." There is a directory of Pi Kappa Delta on the inside back cover. Why don't you use it?

If you like the idea of having the Forensic as a live feature of our organization, if you appreciate the initial number the least bit, send in your subscription or pay your dues and make a second issue possible.

Our Vice-president, E. A. Vaughn, suggests that official letters and documents received by members of the local chapters should be read at regular chapter meetings. Good idea. If only some of the chapters would meet oftener!

How can I help Pi Kappa Delta?

Subscribe for the Forensic.

Pay your dues.

Wear a key.

Explain the significance of your key to all curious people.

Tell forensic men of other institutions about your organization.

Get a copy of the Constitution and application blanks for local organizations that might petition.

Read all of every issue of the Forensic.

Send in all changes in your address to the editor of the Forensic to be filed in the General Catalog.

Keep in touch with your local chapter at all times. See that it keeps its end up.

Boost! Boost hard!

What ought a Local Chapter to do?

It should meet regularly.

It should keep in touch with the State and National officers and with other chapters.

It should elect a reporter and send news about itself and members to the Forensic.

It should be scrupulously careful to report its new members to the General Secretary on the regular application blanks, and to the Editor of the Forensic on the catalog cards. (These blanks and cards may be obtained by application to these officers.)

It should be particular about reporting changes in order and degree of all members.

It should send a cut (Dimensions four inches by six inches) and a chapter letter to the Forensic each year for the Annual Number in June.

It should elect officers promptly and report them for publication in the Forensic.

It should hold a banquet for all Forensic men in the institution each year. (Make a hit with the Alumni by inviting them).

It should boost debate and oratory all the time, and push the standard of work done as high as possible.

It should spread information about Pi Kappa Delta among the forensic men of eligible institutions.

It should see to it that every member pays his dues, and that the dues are forwarded to the General Secretary-treasurer.

It should send a delegate to all state, province or national conventions of Pi Kappa Delta.

It should invite forensic alumni of eligible standing to graduate or alumni membership.

It should elect to honorary membership members of the faculty not of the department of public speaking who have achieved distinction for ability before audiences.

It should be on the alert at all times to strengthen the position of Pi Kappa Delta.

Query—Can all this be done by meeting once a year, or by allowing the officers to hibernate after the regular annual election?

The Next Forensic.

The plan for the next number of The Forensic is to make it an annual number—issued in June.—Get that down.

Now for business—To make this annual number a success every chapter should have a group picture taken after all the teams are made up and the orators chosen. **Remember** that this should be done as soon as possible. A cut made from the picture (Dimensions four inches by six inches) should be sent to the Editor of the Forensic or the picture should be sent with money to defray expenses of making the cut figured at fifteen cents a square inch. Next, a report or chapter letter of from three hundred to nine hundred words, should be prepared giving the oratory and debate record of the institution for the year, and an account of other important events such as banquets, special meetings of the local chapter, etc. This chapter letter should be written as soon as the last contest or debate is over. If the last events come later than May 15 or 20, write up what you do have and send it to the editor. Put your best man on this job. Be **prompt; do your part.**

Of course we can't publish this annual number without funds—Nuff sed!

National Conclave.

That Pi Kappa Delta should have a national convention before long is highly desirable. That we are hardly ready for it is perfectly evident. We do not as yet have enough chapters, or enough members in the national chapter to insure a successful gathering even at the most central place. Our chapters are too widely separated for a successful gathering also. Now what is the remedy? Well, in the first place it lies in extension. We must get new chapters and fill up the gaps between the ones we now have. In the second place we must carry on constructive organization work within Pi Kappa Delta. That is why our slogan should be "Communication." We must get together, and we must have every member of the organization intelligent about Pi Kappa Delta. There must be a complete knowledge of what is going on in the society. It is hoped that the Forensic will furnish this necessary knowledge, that officers of the local and state chapters will use

Uncle Sam's Mail Box a little between issues, and that we shall soon be a compact organization demanding a national conclave.

If enough men write the editor that they are going to attend the San Francisco and San Diego Expositions this summer to justify a conclave the next number of the Forensic will announce definite plans. What do you say? Here is an opportunity—let the editor hear from you.

Again, how would the spring of 1916 suit you—the meeting to be held in Kansas City, Topeka, Lincoln, or Des Moines, or some central point? Will each chapter take a vote on the matter and send in its preference to the Editor.

Don't forget that Pi Kappa Delta is keeping a card catalog of members and their addresses from the very beginning. When the cards arrive at your chapter annually, fill them out and return them to the National President **immediately.** The cards will be of two kinds—printed on different colored paper. One kind is for the name and details about new members of your chapter. The other kind is for the purpose of recording changes in the order, degree, address, etc. of the old members. You will not receive copies of the Forensic after this first issue unless you get on the mailing list by filling out one of these cards.

Better hold a meeting of the chapter immediately after the Forensic arrives. No time! Man alive, you have all the time there is.

Paid your dues? Yes—no—vat? Don't you want the Forensic again this year yet? Ya wohl—Make a noise like dues once.

Have you bought a key yet? Don't you think you'd better save up and get one? It would look good on a new ribbon fob, ain't it so?

Do you like the cover design? It was given The Forensic by the Redlands Chapter and was drawn by a friend of the organization. It will be used on every cover until your chapter furnishes a design to alternate with it.

By the way, did it ever occur to you to send in contributions, local items of interest about your fellow chapter members, etc. to the Forensic. If it appeals to you, send extra cuts for the Annual Number—cuts of your college buildings, campus, debate teams, state oratorical winners, etc. We can use briefs of debates on new subjects, information about state and interstate contests, about your future debate plans, etc. It takes this sort of pep to make a good Forensic. See to it that your local chapter has a reporter. Let's make the Forensic a winner.

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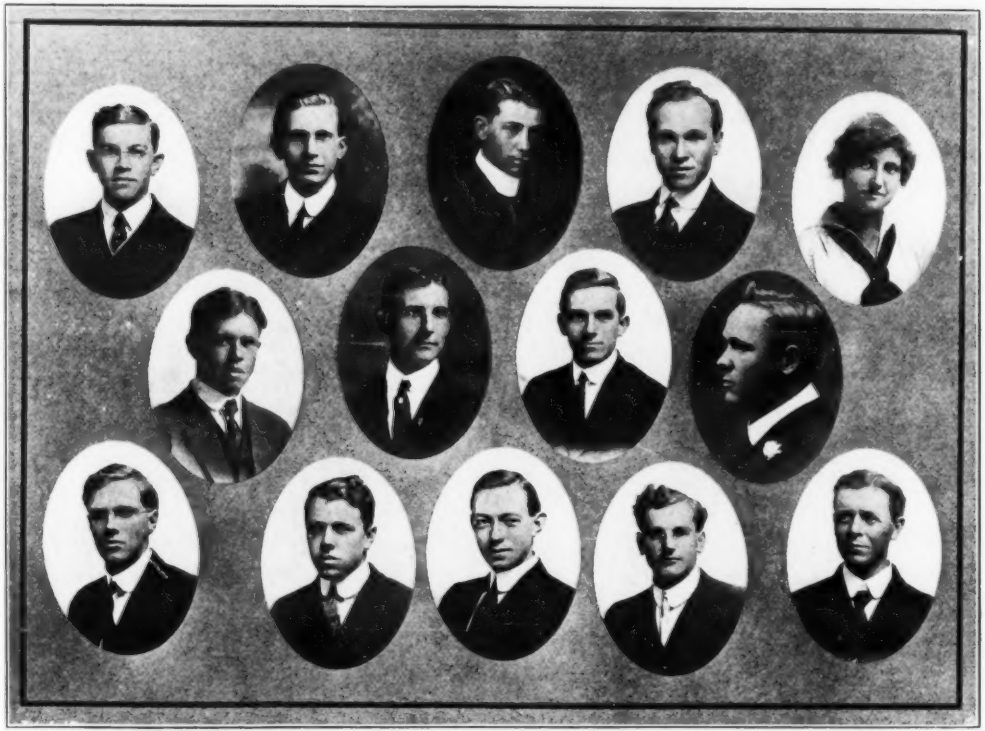

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